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HOTELS

### Suggested Group Experience Options – Summer and Fall



#### Algonquin Resort Golf Course

A golf course exactly like nothing else...Breathtaking views. Ocean breezes. A challenging game. For over a century, golfers have traveled to the Algonquin Golf Course to test their skill and take in the view.

Originally constructed in 1894, the course boasts Canada's oldest clubhouse. Today's course, which takes full advantage of its location on the shores of Passamaquoddy Bay, is full of beautiful vistas and breathtaking scenery. The unforgettable oceanfront sequence of holes on the back nine in particular will challenge golfers of all levels, and our recently completed multimillion-dollar redesign project lead by Canadian golf course architect, Rod Whitman, further improved an already award-winning course.

#### For reference our group rate includes the following

- Round of golf
- Shared seat on a power cart
- Range use
- Personalized cart plates
- Personalized pewter bag tag
- Pewter ball mark repair tool
- Logo'd ball marker
- Personalized scorecards
- Bottle of water
- Scoring (if needed)



**Go back in time at Ministers Island** - <http://www.tourismnewbrunswick.ca/Products/M/Ministers-Island.aspx> Just a few minutes from the Algonquin Resort, participants will experience a drive across the ocean floor at low tide to access the enchanting Ministers Island. This 500-acre island is home to the fifty-room summer estate of Sir William Van Horne, the first president of and the driving force behind the Canadian Pacific Railway. A champagne cocktail can be arranged to greet the group followed by a guided tour where participants immerse themselves in a charming experience from the late 19th and early 20th century. Visit his residence and other buildings, including Canada's largest architect-designed barn.

The Boat House (pictured on the right above) is a perfect venue for a lobster boil for the group (up to 50 ppl.) to be incorporated into the visit. An entertaining and educational presentation on lobster biology and lobster cracking methods will keep everyone engaged.



Chocolate and Wine – Enjoy an afternoon in nearby St. Stephens visiting The Chocolate Museum which celebrates Canada's oldest chocolate company, Ganong. They are happy to accommodate large groups (75-85) for private tours of this special museum including the opportunity to see Ganong's famous hand dippers crafting chocolates after which participants will enjoy a tasting of the special chocolates. Adding a Sommelier to pair wine with the Chocolates is a perfect added touch, and a visit to the company store prior to departure will complete the day. Suggested tour length is 3 ½ hours.

From their website: (<http://www.chocolatemuseum.ca/>):

*Located in what used to be the original Ganong candy factory, The Chocolate Museum offers an interactive way to learn about candy making in St. Stephen – a tradition that has lasted over a century. At the Museum, you will explore the history of the Ganong family and the wonder of chocolate with our hands-on exhibits, vintage chocolate boxes, and antique candy-making equipment and machines. Peek into the studio where Ganong's famous hand dippers still craft chocolates the way they have for more than one hundred years, and learn the secret to making "Ganong's best" chocolates.*



Get back to nature with Kingsbrae Gardens (<http://www.kingsbraegarden.com/>)

Just a short walk from the Algonquin Resort, this 27-acre horticultural garden opened in 1998 featuring over 2,500 species of perennials as well as a wide variety of trees and shrubs. The property also includes an Art Gallery and Studio, Plant Centre, Gift Shop and two restaurants. Kingsbrae is a major tourist attraction in St. Andrews, and has won many horticultural awards including being named Garden of the Year in 2013 by the Canadian Garden Tourism Awards.

They can comfortably accommodate large groups with a variety of experiences including **“Flower in an Hour”** lead by their artist, Geoff Slater. Painting supplies are included along with Wine and Cheese. Late April is also a perfect time to attend **Garden Workshops** and hands-on experience which cover a wide-range of topics such as “Preparing the Garden for the Season”, “Container Plants” or “Propagation”. The Kingsbrae Greenhouses will be the perfect location for these workshops as well as guided tours of the gardens as they get ready for summer.



## An artistic afternoon at Sunbury Shores Arts & Nature Centre

(<http://www.sunburyshores.org>)



Print shop in downtown St. Andrews run by a Master Printmaker, a pottery studio, exhibition gallery and library, and artists and naturalists provide instruction year-round offers courses on sculpting, pottery, jewelry making, etc.

They can comfortably accommodate 25-30 people. Incorporating an **interactive and educational food demonstration** at the Algonquin Resort hosted by our Executive Chef would round off the day nicely or the group could also have **Tea with Eleanor** which is a program offered Roosevelt Campobello International Park, it allows participants to relax while enjoying afternoon tea while the entire time exploring one of the greatest humanitarians the 20th century produced. Eleanor Roosevelt was many things: a daughter, granddaughter, mother, sister, grandmother, civil rights activist, red cross volunteer, senator wife, governor's wife, assistant secretary of the navy wife and of course the First Lady of the United States and as the headlines in the papers read on the day of her death, the First Lady of the World. Eleanor Roosevelt bravely went where no women before had gone.



### **For the marine biologist at heart - Huntsman Fundy Discovery Aquarium and the Fundy Spray**

(<http://www.huntsmanmarine.ca/>)

The Huntsman has an enormous display that depicts the magnitude of the Bay of Fundy tides anchors the aquarium, while Huntsman's resident harbour seals Loki and Snorkel entertain you with their antics. Visitors to Huntsman also enjoy our sturgeon, seahorses, salmon, intertidal creatures, and underwater viewing of Bay of Fundy fishes. Other things to enjoy include the Periwinkle Café & Gift Shop, children's play area, feature films, interactive displays, the walking path to the beach, and so much more! The tour can also include rides on their research vessel, Fundy Spray, which is a 50' converted offshore lobster boat accommodating 20 and two crew members. This vessel is an ideal way to take in the Bay of Fundy from a perspective not many others get to enjoy.

Turtle Shore Tours would be happy to coordinate a beach walk with the tour to the Huntsman, and using a number of biologists as interpreters they will bring marine biology tools with them to tell the stories of marine creatures. A clam boil would be fun way to end the tour, or perhaps a seafood chowder sampling at the Algonquin Resort.



### **Get your pulse racing as you experience an exhilarating Whale and Marine Wildlife Tour!**

The Bay of Fundy is home to eight species of whales and marine wildlife such as the Harbour Porpoise, White Sided Dolphin, Gray Seals, 11 species of shark, countless seabirds and a plethora of fish and shell fish. Enjoy this adventure of a lifetime onboard a Zodiac, Catamaran, or a traditional tall ship. Operators are all conveniently located in the St. Andrews harbor. Watercraft will bring

passengers into the Bay of Fundy to see the marine wildlife at close range as well as the spectacular acrobatics of the whales, as these massive mammals breach, lunge and cavort while feeding, playing or just showing-off. Group size depends on the vessel/operator selected with the largest watercraft accommodating 46 passengers.

[www.fundytiderunners.com](http://www.fundytiderunners.com)

[www.islandquestmarine.com](http://www.islandquestmarine.com)

[www.planetwhale.com](http://www.planetwhale.com)

[www.quoddylinkmarine.com](http://www.quoddylinkmarine.com)

[www.jollybreeze.com](http://www.jollybreeze.com)



### **St. Andrews By-the-Sea Tour with a twist (History-Mystery Tour or Tall Tales and Legends)**

Saint Andrews, NB or St. Andrews By-the-Sea as it is commonly called was founded in 1783 by the United Empire Loyalists. This little seaside town is well preserved with many of the original buildings still gracing the town. Some of these buildings were barged to the area from Castine, Maine at the end of the Revolutionary War and are listed under the New Brunswick and Canadian Registry of Historic Places making it one of the best-preserved examples of colonial heritage in North America with over 300 historic buildings.

Genny Simard, Turtle Shore Adventures, coordinates and guides tours for groups with a duration of 2-3 hours). She has developed two memorable and interactive tours popular with many groups.

#### **History-Mystery tour:**

Our guide from the 1880's will take you through our historic town to see some important sites and learn some quirky stories about smuggling, ships, robbers and merchants. Be a witness to a stabbing, and try to solve the mystery as you meet some local characters from the late 1800 period. Includes a warm beverage of your choice. (2 hours; 20 people maximum)

#### **Tall Tales and Legends:**

Great stories from the past await you! Hear the tales of how this town came together, and how some families made their fortunes, while others got destroyed by greed, fires and murder. This walk will take you on a guided tour of the main streets of town, and historical sites such as the old Gaol and Courthouse, Sheriff Andrews' house, Ross Memorial Museum, and the Anglican Church. (2-3 hours; 20 people maximum)

Afterwards, delegates take a leisurely stroll through the galleries of Water Street to see work created by local artists including folk art, painted furniture, jewellery, pottery, stained glass, and the largest selection of St. Andrews prints.

#### **Other tour ideas through Destination Management Companies**

Numerous DMC's have worked with groups at the Algonquin Resort, and a great source of information in terms of putting together tour options. We will be happy to provide suggested companies when the time is appropriate.